

proper order of business was announced by the Speaker:

THE SPEAKER: ⁽¹²⁾ The Chair wishes to state the order of business.

The unfinished business is the further consideration of the veto message of the President of the United States on the bill (H.R. 5052) to exclude certain vendors of newspapers or magazines from certain provisions of the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code.

The Speaker also indicated that when a veto message postponed to a day certain is announced as the unfinished business on that day, no motion is required from the floor for the consideration of such veto; the question "Will the House, on reconsideration, pass the bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding" is the pending business: ⁽¹³⁾

THE SPEAKER: The question is, Will the House, on reconsideration, pass the bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding? . . .

THE SPEAKER: The gentleman from California [Mr. Gearhart] is recognized.

MR. [HERMAN P.] EBERHARTER [of Pennsylvania]: Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

MR. [BERTRAND W.] GEARHART: I yield to the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

MR. EBERHARTER: Has the gentleman made a motion to call up the bill?

MR. GEARHART: The Parliamentarian advises me that is not necessary. The Speaker has already stated the issue.

MR. EBERHARTER: I just wanted the record to be certain. I did not hear the gentleman make a motion to call up the bill.

MR. GEARHART: I believe the gentleman's question has already been answered.

MR. [JOHN E.] RANKIN [of Mississippi]: Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will yield, the bill is before the House now automatically.

MR. EBERHARTER: Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield for a parliamentary inquiry?

MR. GEARHART: Gladly.

THE SPEAKER: The Chair will state that he has already put the question, but he will repeat it if the gentleman desires.

MR. EBERHARTER: No. I just want to have the record straight.

THE SPEAKER: The veto message was originally read on April 6, and the request of the gentleman from California was that it be reread for the information of the House. Previous to that request the Chair had stated that the question before the House was, Will the House, on reconsideration, pass the bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding?

The gentleman will proceed.

12. Joseph W. Martin, Jr. (Mass.).

13. 94 CONG. REC. 4427, 4428, 80th Cong. 2d Sess.

§8. Postponement for Indefinite Period

Rescinding Action of Both Houses

§ 8.1 The action of the two Houses in connection with the passage of a private bill was rescinded by a concurrent resolution setting forth such rescission and providing that the bill be postponed indefinitely.

On Feb. 7, 1952,⁽¹⁴⁾ the House agreed to a Senate concurrent resolution rescinding the action of the two Houses on the bill S. 1236 for the relief of Kim Song Nore in view of the fact that the individual named in the bill had died.

MR. [FRANCIS E.] WALTER [of Pennsylvania]: Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of Senate Concurrent Resolution 60, indefinitely postponing Senate bill 1236, for the relief of Kim Song Nore.

The Clerk read the Senate concurrent resolution, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the action of the two Houses in connection with the passage of the bill (S. 1236) for the relief of Kim Song Nore be rescinded, and that the said bill be postponed indefinitely.

THE SPEAKER:⁽¹⁵⁾ Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

The Senate concurrent resolution was concurred in.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Parliamentarian's Note: The effect of a motion to postpone indefinitely is to finally dispose of the pending matter adversely. It is different from merely refusing to consider a matter at a particular time. The motion is not amendable, but the motion to postpone to a day certain takes precedence.

C. MOTIONS TO LAY ON THE TABLE

§ 9. In General; Application and Effect

The motion to lay on the table, also referred to as the motion to table, is used by the House to

reach a final adverse disposition of a proposition.⁽¹⁶⁾ The motion is not in order in the Committee of the Whole.⁽¹⁷⁾

The motion to lay on the table is of high privilege, but yields to a

14. 98 CONG. REC. 934, 82d Cong. 2d Sess.

15. Sam Rayburn (Tex.).

16. See §§ 9.1 et seq., *infra*.

17. See 8 Cannon's Precedents §§ 2330, 2556a, 3455; and 4 Hinds' Precedents §§ 4719, 4720.